



Lt. Governor Skillman Announces 200 Jobs Coming to Seymour

I always look forward to going back to my home region, but I especially enjoy the visit when there is good news to share. Last week I announced in Seymour that Cummins plans to expand its high-horsepower technical center and create up to 200 jobs. The state is a partner in this project.

Cummins plans to invest \$100 million in machinery, equipment and the construction to expand its technical center. An announcement like this should provide encouragement to Hoosiers. There are many signs of life all across the state, and I'm happy that the latest sign of Indiana's economic rejuvenation is in Jackson County.

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Lt. Governor Becky Skillman joined Cummins executives last week to announce the company's plans to create up to 200 jobs in Seymour.

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Cummins had the option of expanding elsewhere. This time the competition was international. But Cummins is a homegrown Hoosier company with a world-wide reputation for building the best engines. Indiana offers companies a low cost of doing business. Keeping taxes low, maintaining our fiscal strength, and having the best

economic tool box helps us maintain a competitive edge.

The companies that choose to expand, consolidate or start in Indiana are diverse. But they are growing and thriving because of the hard work of Hoosiers. The workforce, local and state leaders are all working together to keep Indiana and Jackson county moving forward even during tough economic times. I look forward to watching your success continue to grow.

Becky Skillman



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